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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Kaoru YAMAMOTO et al.

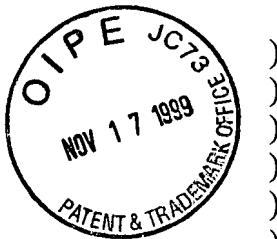
Application No.: 08/821,424

Filed: March 21, 1997

For: INFORMATION RECORD MEDIUM,
APPARATUS FOR RECORDING THE
SAME AND APPARATUS FOR
REPRODUCING THE SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 1999 (Paper No. 5), the period of response to which has been extended through November 22, 1999 (November 21, 1999 being a Sunday) by the attached petition for an extension of time and payment of an appropriate fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-9 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new claims 10-28 as follows:

--10. An information recording apparatus comprising:

signal processing means for applying a predetermined signal processing to record information that includes a plurality of partial record information blocks, and for generating a

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